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dignation stalked into the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday morning under the convoy of De-tective Price, of the Twenty-ninth precinct. By his side was a flashily dressed young woman somewhat the worse for a night's sojourn in a station house; and when the pair were brought before Justice Flammer they seemed quite at loggerheads with both court and officers. According to the detective's narrative the male prisoner, whose name is William J. Carroll, of No. 532 West Fiftieth street, took his companion, who is known as Jennie Bell, out riding on Sunday, but on the way home some unpleasantness arose and the coach window was smashed. The driver did not draw rein till Chirtieth Street Police Station. There Carroll onsented to pay for the damage he had done the consented to pay for the damage he had done the vehicle, and after a settlement was made he went off with Miss Bell. But the pair were not alone this time. Detective Price had recognized in Carroft a man who had been charged with several swindling transactions and he followed him. The man and woman fell to wrangling about a watch, and soon they had a crowd around them in Sixth avenue. Price made his presence known at this, and Carroll, who turned to resist him, fell over a curbostone truit stand. Before he could get up the detective whipped a revolver out of his assailant's pocket, and so disarmed he was marched back to the station house. There he and his companion were locked up, and when the woman was charged with disorderly conduct and fined \$10 Carroll at once stepped up and paid it. Justice Flammer turned to inquire his character of Price. The other saw the movement and called out to the detective:

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"I haven't said a word about you yot," Price returned; "but I know you to be one of the worst swindling horse desiers in New York."

"You're a liar," yelled Carroll. But the Court interfered here with the imposition of a \$10 fine on the speaker. He turned about sullenly to pay it, when Price laid a revolver on the magisterial desk:—

"I found that on him," he said.

"Indeed," said the magistrate, and another \$10 fine was added to Carroll's score. He settled it in no very gentle frame of mind and turned to go.

"One moment," said Price, and Court Officer Kelly presented a warrant for Carroll's arrest on a charge of swindling Patrick Luggan, of West Brighton, S. L., of a valuable brown mare, four months ago. It appears that the complainant was employed by Mr. Rourke to bring the animal to New York for the purpose of selling it. On the ferry-boat he was accested by Carroll, who agreed to become the purchaser, and directed Duggan to bring the mare to a stable in West Tenth street. There, with the connivance of some hostler, he managed to have the animal led off, while he engaged Duggan's attention by insisting on making payment in bank checks. He then managed to get away himself, and it was found that he had only engaged the stable temporarily and had no interest in it. Detective Price was notified of the occurrence at the time, and he hounded Carroll so hotly that the latter was forced to seek Rourke, and, it is said, essay a compromise. The warrant, however, had been issued at the instance of Duggan, and yesterday it was executed. Carroll was locked up for examination.

BOARD OF APPORTIONMENT.

A special meeting of the Board of Apportionment was held in the Mayor's Office yesterday for the pur-pose of further considering the final estimates for 1880. Corporation Counsel Whitney sent in an opinion deciding that the city was responsible for the counsel fees of Excise Commissioners Merkle and Morrison in the recent indictments brought gainst these officials in the Court of Oyer and Terminer. Mr. Whitney holds that the Commissioners miner. Mr. Whitney holds that the Commissioners were justified in engaging counsel to defend themselves from charges involving acts done in their official capacity. The resolution authorizing payment of the exponses incurred in this way (33,132 25) was then introduced by the Comptroller, and on motion of Mayor Cooper laid over for future consideration. Transfer of \$5,722 40 to pay cierks and other employes of the Police Department and \$20,800 to account of ciection expenses during the year were also authorized. After hearing Commissioner Chandler relative to the absolute necessity of appropriating the amounts asked for by the Health Department in the estimates of next year the Board adjourned.

THE HESDRA WILL CONTEST.

There was a further hearing, before Surrogate Calvin, yesterday in the matter of the contest of the will of Cynthia Hesdra, the wealthy colored woman. The will, which leaves all the property to the husREAL ESTATE.

The large transfer of property on the upper part of the island, near Fort Washington, recorded on Saturday, having attracted general attention, a HERALD reporter was sent to ascertain the facts that led to the transfer and the uses to which the land is to be put. The terms of the sale, as shown by a transcript of the record, were:—"Thirty-five separate plots, containing altogether 1,702,956 square feet, for \$225,000." Inquiries revealed that the sale was rate plots, containing altogether 1,702,956 square feet, for \$225,000." Inquiries revealed that the sale was on a foreclosure of mortgage made during the time when improvements of the most generous nature were projected for the upper part of Manhattan Island. Boulevards, parkways and drives, beautiful as well as useful, were being carried forward, and lots commanded at one period almost fabulous prices. The Chesebrough farm of 100 acres, on she kingsbridge road, adjoining the New York Juvenile Asylum, by the projected opening of New avenue, Eleventh avenue and other thoroughfares, shared in the increased valuation, and was immediately marked for the speculative market. The late Richard, Schell and General Butterfield having entered into partnership in real estate transactions, included one third, or about thirty-six acres, of that farm in their purchases. It was a time perceding resumption and the terms were easy, so without referring to the percentage of cash which passed in the transaction Mr. Charles A. Chesebrough accepted as part payment for his land a mortgage of \$225,000. Time wont on and real estate went down; the bottom fell out of speculations and the two purchasers found themselves liable to a yearly interest of seven percent on \$225,000, the city taxes and assessments on the property and the agreeable prospect of an annual decrease in the value of the property till a "hardpan basis" was reached. After a few years, however, they coased to pay either interest or tax until the latter reached \$60,000 and over, and the accumulated interest had swelled the mortgage to \$34,016 01, for which amount judgment was obtained ou foreclosure eighteen months ago. The sale has been postponed from time to time in hope of a better market, but the property was finally bought in by Mr. Chesebrough, the mortgages, for \$225,000. It will thus cost over \$400,000 to redeem it should General Butterfield think of doing so.

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175x155.0; Angust Meyer and wife and another to Mary M. Rank and another to Mary M. Rank and another to William X. School 1;

Rhoda Kamasy and another to William Moores.

17th at., n. s. 116 ft. w. of 4d av., 28x104; William T. Hayward to Sarah J. Hayward

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99th at, a. s., 250 ft. w. of 8th av., 25x102.11; John J. Clancy and wife to Hormann H. Cammain...

2d av., w. s., 20 ft. n. of 58th at, 20x55, Margaret O'Rorks to Therease Steindight av. 25x102.5; E. 45th and ord referency to Reduce D. S. Grant...

14th at, between 22 d and 3d avs., lots Nes, from 30 to 15th inclusive; Joseph C. Pinckney to Margaret Pork.

Savings institute,
RECORDED ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGES.
Hutton, Benjamin H. et al. trustees, &c.), to A. C.
Monson and another (trustees, &c.)
Malcolm, J. F. and another (accutors, &c.), to J. F.
Malcolm and another (trustees, &c.)
Sterling, William G., and another (executors, &c.),
to Eliza D. Harbeck.

MISS SCHIFFER'S TRUNK.

Another complaint was made yesterday to Super-intendent Jackson, of Castle Garden, against Henry Strauss, the alleged agent of the National Steamship Company at Antwerp, for detaining immigrants' bagand intelligent German, who arrived here on December 2 by the steamship England, of the National line, and intelligent German, who arrived here on December 2 by the steamship England, of the National line, nade affidavit that she was directed by one Fizzi, a passenger agent at Odenberg, Hungary, to purchase her passage ticket for New York from Henry Strausa, at Antwerp. The latter hurried her off in charge of a messenger by Liverpool, stating that she had barely time to catch the vessel, and promised to send her trunk, which contained many dresses, by the same ship. When she reached her destination ahe asked Strauss' messenger about her trunk, expressing at the same time her inability to travel without ft. The messenger replied that Strauss would not permit him to take her luggage along, but that he would send it after her to New York. Miss Schiffer immediately telegraphed to Strauss requesting him to forward her trunk without delay, as she was in need of clothing, and she informed him that she would remain at Liverpool for one week. She waited the specified time, but the trunk did not arrive, and Strauss telegraphed that she would receive her baggage at New York, and sent her an aloged receipt for it. The delay has cost Miss Schiffer \$20, and although she is informed that the trunk is now in possession of the National Steamship Company, in this city, the latter refuse to give it up unless \$8 are paid for expenses. The Commissioners have already called the attention of socretary Evarts to these actions of Strauss, and yesterday they sent the affiavit of Miss Schiffer to the agent of the National Steamship Company, in this city, with the request that they investigate the charges against their alleged agent.

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The preliminary examination which was to have been continued yesterday before Justice Eassner at Stapleton, as to the charges of bribery preferred against several persons of the town of Castleton, Staten Island, by ex-Assemblyman Samuel R. Brick, who alleges that they used about \$3,000 to defeat his re-election in the late campaign, was postponed until to-day. It having been rumored that subpensa had been issued for Mr. George William Curtis and Mr. J. B. Minton, of Castleton, a reporter asked Justice Kassner as to the truth of the statement. The Justice replied, "I can't say, now, when those subpensa will be issued, I believe Mr. Curtis' testimony would be of little importance, but it appears to be the desire that he should appear in court as a witness in this case." been continued yesterday before Justice Eassner at

THE COURTS.

Right of Conveyance of a Cemetery Lot.

HOMICIDE CASES.

Microscopic Charms as Seen by the Eyes of a Jury.

essions for capital cases. No less than four ters charged with murder were arraigned for In the case of Thomas Condon, for the elec-

previous good character he was sent to the State Prison for three years.
William Burke, alias Stacey, alias Standishville, a young man, was arraigned in the Court of General sessions yesterday charged with murder. It was alleged that in the month of Jine, 1877, the accused quarrelled with Alice Strickland, his reputed wife, in a saloon at the corner of Forsyth and Rivington streets, and stabbed hor in the abdomen, the wound resulting in her death. Burke fled to San Francisco, where he remained for some time in the company of another woman. His ill treatment of the latter led to his arrest, and Detective Richard O'Connor, of the District Attorney's office, was sent on to convey the prisoner to this city. When called to the bar yesterday the prisoner pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the first degree, and Judge Gildersleeve sent him to the State Prison at hard labor for the term of ten years.

DISINTERMENTS IN GREENWOOD Andrew J. Thompson, who claims to be the owner etery, has brought a suit against William Hickey, Bella M. Farnham and Thomas Clark, to restrain the says have been buried in the plot. Mr. Thompson in his complaint claims to have bought the plot in question in 1863, during which year the interments were made. Subsequently Mr. Thompson borrowed some money from Hickey, giving as collateral security for the same a transfer deed for the plot in Greenwood. He claims that Hickey, without any notice to him, transferred the plot to Farnham, who immediately transferred it to Clark It is now charged that the removal of the bodies is contemplated to some other public plot in the cemetery and that the conveyances mentioned were without consideration and solely for the purpose of chesting the plaintif out of the ownership of the property. Mr. Thompson states further that the defondants have joined together for the removal of the bodies and that Hickey has refused to reconvey the plot to him. The case came before Judge Van Vorst yesterday in Supreme Court, Chambers, on a motion to continue a temporary injunction restraining any removal of the bodies. The Judge said he thought the plot could not be transferred, but before deeding he would look at the charter of the Greenwood Cemetery. He therefore took the papers and reserved his decision.

THOSE "MICROSCOPIC CHARMS." sell to Anthony Comstock microscopic charms alleged to contain indecent views, the particulars of nummed up yesterday for the defendant before Judge ence in the method of the prosecution of this case and witness, and on whose testimony the case of the prosecution rested entirely. He said that entirely fair and indifferent between the people and the prisoner Mr. Herring performed his duty as a prosecutor, and not as a persecutor, while Mr. Comstock recognized no mitigating circumstances and knew no mercy. He then analyzed the testimony and claimed that Mr. Comstock was uncorroborated and unconfirmed by a single witness. Why, he asked, were the other persons, who were present at the transaction, not called? The inference, he contended, was irresistible that they would not confirm Comstock. The case, he urged in conclusion, rested entirely on the uncorroborated evidence of a detective whose testimony must always be taken with great caution.

left shortly after, and kept away until six weeks after the property was stolen. When arrested by the detective he denied the perpetration of the offence, hir. A. H. Hummel, who defended Henderson, claimed that the suspicious circumstances against the socused did not justify an explanation, and requested the Court to charge the jury that they could not convict. Judge Gildersleeve said that he had no doubt that Henderson had committed the harceny, but the testimony adduced was not sufficient in law to warrant him putting the prisoner on his defence. Mr. Hummel laughingly suggested the beotch vendict, "Not proven," and on the direction of Judge Gildersleeve the jury rendered a verdict of not guilty. The prisoner was discharged and slowly wandered from the court room, evidently bewildered at the result of his case.

SUMMARY OF LAW CASES. The case of James A. Harriot, indicted in the United States Circuit Court for alleged pension frauds, was called yesterday for trial before Judge Benedict. When called to the bar the prisoner with-drew his plea of not guilty and pleaded guilty. He

was remanded for sentence.

In the case of Aibert Gilbert, assistant appraiser in the Custom House, indicted in the United States the Custom House, indicted in the United States Circuit Court for receiving bribes and passing goods through the Custom House on faise invoices, Judge Benedict yesterday granted a motion made lass week requiring the government to furnish a bill of par-ticulars.

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The examination of Edward Carroll and John Brady, charged with being connected with the illicits still seized in April last at Fort Lee, was continued yesterday before United States Commissioner Shields. At the conclusion of the testimony for the prosecution motion was made for the dischargeof the accused, but was denied by Commissioner Shields. It is probable that a warrant of removal to New Jorsey for trial will be granted to-day by Judge Choats.

J. Emil Kutely, a bookkeeper in the employ of Heary Clausen & Son, brewers, recently arrested on the charge of forging promissory notes of his employers to the amount of \$5,000, was arraigned at the bar of the Court of General Sosaions, the accused having previously pleased guilty. Counsel for the accused urged, in mitigation of sentence, that most of the proceeds of the torgery had been restored to the Messrs, Clausen, who did not seek to press for punishment. In view of the prisoner's previous good character Judge Cowing imposed the mitigated sentence of two years in the Penitentiary.

COURT CALENDARS_THIS DAY. COURT CARLENARIES - Held by Judge Van Vorst-Court opens at half-past ten A. M.—Calendar called at eleven A. M.—Nos. 49, 50, 57, 58, 62, 64, 65, 68, 81, 98, 107, 130, 143, 178, 179, 185, 186, 192, 195, 230, 238, 240, 241, 244, 246, 248, 250, 254, 250, 257, 288, 250, 266, 262, 8UPERNE COURT-GENERAL TERM.—Adjourned until December 30.

the term.
SUPPRIME COURT—CRECUET—Part 1—Held by Jindge
Van Brunt—Court opens at nalf-past ten A. M.—No
day calendar. Parts 2 and 3—Adjourned for the
term.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM—Parts 1 and 2.—Adourned for the term.

MAHINE COURE—TRIAL TERM—Parts 1 and 2.—Adourned for the term. Part 3—Held by Judge 3copp—Court opens at ten A. M.—No day calendar.—Sudnocarts's Court—Held by Surrogate Calvin.—Ontested will of Cynthia Hesdra, deceased, at eleven A. M.

A. M.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS—Part 1—Held by Judge Cowing—Court opens at eleven A. M.—The P copie vs. Martin Daly and James Taylor, burglary; Same vs. Mortin Daly and James Taylor, burglary; Same vs. Hernard Davis, burglary; Same vs. Robert May, grand lafeeny; Same vs. Susan vs. George Braden, grand larceny; Same vs. Hoort Suffrage, grand larceny; Same vs. Lizzie Curnan, grand larceny; Same vs. George Braden, grand larceny; Same vs. William Murphy, larceny from the person; Same vs. William Murphy, larceny from the person, Part 2—Held by Judge Gildersleeve—Court opens at cleven A. M.—The People vs. Thomas Grogad, Charles Doonan and James Graney, robbery; Same vs. William O'Brien, felonious assault and battery; Same vs. Lottle Thompson, David Angelo, Robert Moore, Jr., and John Porry, grand larceny; Same vs. Charles Balfo and John McCarthy, grand larceny; Same vs. Charles Balfo and John McCarthy, grand larceny; Same vs. James Kerrigan, assault and battery.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—In Admiralty—Held by Judge Choate.—Nos. 210, A. D. Sideracudi vs. G. Mapes; 114, J. Collins vs. J. Scully et al.; 54, C. Grum vs. W. T. Frost et al.; 97, I. G. Unneveher vs. Steambalth Hindee; 194, D. W. Manwaring vs. Bark C. Delap; 150, W. A. Pascal vs. Schooner F. B. Gilkey; 151, I. Crossan vs. Steamboat J. H. Starin; 115, G. A. Thorndike vs. Steamboat J. H. Starin; 115, G. A. Thorndike vs. Steamboat J. H. Starin; 115, G. A. Thorndike vs. Steamboat J. H. Starin; 115, G. A. Thorndike vs. Steamboat J. H. Starin; 115, M. Henderson, vs. Steambil Cheson City; 160, J. Casey vs. Brig Nile; 161, W. Andus vs. Steamboat Saratoga; 117, B. Kane vs. Penny et al.; 129, P. J. Willis et al. vs. Steambilp City of Austin; 135, Middlessx Quarry Company vs. Schooner A. Mason; 111, R. H. Powell et al. vs. Steamboat Willie; 155, M. White vs. Steambilp City of Austin; 129, P. J. Willis et al. vs. Steambilp City of Austin; 129, P. J. Willis et al. vs. Steambilp City of Austin; 129, R. J. Willis et al. vs. Steambilp City of Austin; 129, R. J. Chow vs. we vs. Canal Boat C. M. Titus.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT. THE METROPOLITAN HOTEL RENT CASE-BE-QUEST TO A BISHOPRIC ILLEGAL-THE FLOR-IDA CENTRAL RATLROAD BOND.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22, 1879

QUEST TO A BISHOPHIC ILLEGAL—THE FLORBULA CENTRAL RAILROAD BOND.

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The following was among the business transacted in the United States Supreme Court to-day:—

No. 80. Cornelia W. Stewart, &c., et al., "appellants, ws. John H. Platt, assignee, &c., et al., "appellants, ws. John H. Platt, assignee, &c., et al., "appellants, vs. John H. Platt, assignee, &c., et al., "appellants, vs. John H. Platt, of New York.

This action is brought by the assignee in bank-ruptcy of Simeon Leland & Co. to set aside, on account of alleged irregularities in fling certain chattel mortgages and renewals thereof, covering the turniture in the Metropolitan Hotel, New York and executed by Leland & Co. to the late. A. T. Stewart as security for the ront of said hotel; also to set aside, as being fraudulent preferences under the bankrupt act, certain conveyances of real estate alleged to be owned by Leland & Co., situated in New York and Wester counties—two of the conveyances being executed by George S. Leland, a nephew of the members of said firm, and the other by Ellen Leland, wife of Warren Leland, to the said Stewart, and by him received in payment of the rent then due, and secured by the said chattel mortgages, Stewart crediting the price of the real estate upon the mortgages and reducing their lieu to that extent. The Court below decided that the chattel mortgages were invalid, because, although filed in New York city, they were not filed in the cities or towns where the individual members of the firm severally resided, and that the conveyances of real estate were, as alleged by the assignee, fraudulent preferences under the Bankrupt act.

The Court holds that a chattel mortgage, executed by a firm upon firm property, is void under the New York statute a sgainst creditors of the mortgagers, and not the setual situs of the property controls the place of filing. Upon this branch of the case, therefore, this Court concurs in the opinion of the Court, bowever, is held to be erroneous in directing the residue

reversed, with costs, and the curse remanded when directions to enter a decree in conformity herewith. Justice Harlan delivered the opinion of the Court. Justice Floid delivered an opinion concurring in the judgment of the Court, but holding that the domical of a firm, under the law requiring chattel morting ages to be filled in the county where the mortgages reside, is the place where the firm is located and

reside, is the place where the firm is located and carries on its business, and that therefore the chatten mortgages in this case held the property against the judgments of the creditors. In this opinion Justices Swayne and Bradley concurred.

BEQUEST TO A BISHOPRIC.

No. 80. J. J. Kain, bishop, &c., appollant, vs. E. G., Gibborey, executrix, &c.—Appeal from the Circuit Court of the United States for the Western district Gibborey, executrix, &c.—Appeal from the Circuit Court of the United States for the Western district of Virginia.

This was a suit to enforce a bequest made in the last will and testament of Malvins Mathews, of Wythe county, Va., to the Boman Catholic Bishop of Wheeling or his successor, to be by him held in trust for whatever religious community the testatrix might belong to at the time of her death. She died a member of the Roman Catholic Sisterhood of St. Joseph. This court holds that since the bequest in controversy was not made to the Bishop of Wheeling personally but to the bishopric, and since the community for whose benefit it was intended its unincorporated and has no legal existence, the validity of such bequest can only be sustained on the ground that it is a gift for charitable uses. This, however, does not clearly appear to be the case and since it has been repeatedly held by the Courts of Virginis that chancery courts have no jurisdiction to uphoid charities where the objects are indefinite and uncertain the decree of the Circuit Court dismissing the bill of the plaintiff below is affirmed, with costs. Justice Strong delivered the opinion.

No. 1,022. The Florida Central Railroad Company, appellant, vs. J. Fred Schutte et al.—Motion to vacate supersedeas bond on account of fraud granted, Motion tor leave to file new supersedeas bond denied. Motion to dismiss denied upon certain conditions to be fulfilled by the appellants. Decisions of the Court announced by the Chief Justice.

**Adjourned until to-morrow at twelve o'clock.

SALE OF SEIZED GOODS.

Periodically the customs authorities of this city clear out the accumulated stock of goods that are seized by their officers. One of these public sales seized by their officers. One of these public sales took place yesterday at the auction house of the Collector's auctioners. The audience included a vast number of Mrs. Toodlesse, who ventured out in the sleet and snow to obtain bargains among the seized goods. The catalogue embraced a great variety of things, but mostly cigars, cigarettes, snuff and liquors. Of the latter the leading feature was a lot of six demijohns of pure Jamaica rum, containing officers, gallous, saized on the lat day of May last of six demijohns of pure Jamaica rum, containing fifteen gallons, seized on the 1st day of May last on the steamer San Domingo, from the port of that name. The liquor was intended tor the Manhattan Club, but not having been inscribed on the vessel's manifest it was seized and contiscated. The councisseure attending the sale soon ascertained its superior quality and a judge of the article obtained it at \$3.75 per gallon. Cigars were offered as they were seized, from one box of 100 to lots of \$5,000. There were cigars from Germany, Cubs, Manila, the East Indies, Africa and China. The prices obtained for these ranged all the way from \$30 to \$185 per thousand. It was stated by those who know that in nearly every instance the cigars sold at this sale could be duplicated regularly at twenty-five per cent less, and for fresh goods, if bought of the leading importers. The balance of the sale included silks, bringing an average price of \$2.25 per yard; camels' hair shawls, isons, velveds, Chinese and Japanese curios, clothing and umbrellas. The amount realized will be between \$8,000 and \$9,000.

DR. SAYRE'S COMPLAINT.

The Pray-Sayre case, which for a while engaged attention at the Yorkville Police Court, has come up there for a fresh investigation in another shape. This time it is Dr. Theodore H. Sayre who brings the action, and in his affidavit he charges Edward E. Van Brunt-Court opens at nalf-past ten A. M.—No day calendar. Parts 2 and 3—Adjourned for the term.

SUPERIOR COURT-GENERAL TERM.—Adjourned sine die.

SUPERIOR COURT-SPECIAL TERM.—Held by Judge Speir—Court opens at ten A. M.—No day calendar.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.—Held by Judge Speir—Court opens at ten A. M.—No day calendar.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.—Parts 1 and 3.—Adjourned for the term. Part 2.—No calendar.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM.—Adjourned until the first Monday of January.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM.—Held by Judge Van Hoesen.—No day calendar.

COMMON PLEAS—EQUITY TERM.—Adjourned until December 29.